1. A polypeptide compound of the following general formula:

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ower alkanoyl substituted with unsaturated 6-membered heteromonocyclic group containing at least one nitrogen atom which may have one or more suitable substituent(s);

lower alkanoyl substituted with 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline which may have one or more suitable substituent(s);

lower alkanoyl substituted with unsaturated condensed heterocyclic group containing at least one oxygen atom which may have one or more suitable substituent(s);

lower alkanoyl substituted with unsaturated condensed heterocyclic group containing 1 to 3 sulfur atom(s)

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which may have one or more/suitable
substituent(s);

lower alkanoyl substituted with unsaturated condensed heterocyclic group containing 2 or more nitrogen atom(s) which may have one or more suitable substituent(s);

lower alkanoyl substituted with saturated 3 to 8 membered heteromonocyclic group containing at least one nitrogen atom which may have one or more suitable substituted with aryl which may have one or more suitable substituted with aryl which may have one or more suitable substituent(s);

naphthyl(lower)alkenoyl which may have one or more higher alkoxy;

lower alkynoyl which may have one cr more suitable substituent(s);

naphthyl having higher alkoxy;

ar(C_2 - C_6) alkanoyl substituted with aryl having one or more suitable substituent(s), in which ar(C_2 - C_6)-alkanoyl may have one or more suitable substituent(s).

aroyl substituted with heterocyclic group which may have one or more suitable substituent(s), in which aroyl may have one or more suitable substituent(s);

aroyl substituted with aryl having heterocyclic(higher)alkoxy, in which heterocyclic group may have one or more suitable substituent(s);

aroyl substituted with aryl having lower alkoxy(higher)alkoxy; aroyl substituted with ary/1 having lower alkenyl(lower)alkoxy; aroyl substituted with 2/lower alkoxy; aroyl substituted with aryl having lower alkyl; aroyl substituted with aryl having Kigher alkyl; aryloxy(lower)alkahoyl which may have one or more suitably substituent(s); ar(lower)alkoxy(/lower)alkanoyl which may have one or mpre\suitable substituent(s); arylamino(lower)alkanoy1 which may have one or more suitable substituent(s)/; lower alkanoyl substituted with pyrazolyl whileh has lower alkyl and aryl\having higher alkoxy; lower alkoxy(higher)alkanoyl, in which higher alkanoy may have one or more suitable substituent(s); aroyl substituted with aryl having heterocyclicoxy, in which heterocy licox may have one or more suitable substituent(s); aroyl substituted with cyclo(/ower)alkyl having lower alkyl; indo/lylcarbonyl having higher alkyl; naphthoyl having lower alkyl; naphthoyl having higher alkyl; naphthoyl having lower alkoky(higher)alkoxy;

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aroyl substituted with ar 1/2 having lower alkoxy(lower)alkoxy(higher)alkoxy; aroyl substituted with aryl having lower alkoxy(lower)alkoxy; aroyl substituted with aryl which has aryl having lower alkoxy; aroyl substituted with aryl which has aryl having lower alkoxy(lower)alkoxy; aroyl substituted with anyl having heterocyclicoxy(higher)alkoxy aroyl substituted with aryl having aryloxy(lower)alkoxy; aroyl substituted with aryl having/ heterocycliccarb nyl (higher) alko xy/ lower alkanoy ≠ substituted with oxazoly which has aryl having higher alkoxy; lower alkan yl substituted with furyl which has aryl substituted with aryl having lower/alkoxyx lower alkanoyl substituted with triazolyl Which has oxo and aryl having higher alk(1; higher alkanoyl having hydroxy; higher Alkanoyl having ar (lower) alkyl and hydroxy; 3-methyl-tridedenoyl; (C2-C6) alkanoyl substituted with aryl having/higher alkoxy, in which (C_2-C_6) alkano/l may have amino or protected amino / and a pharmaceutically a¢ceptable salt thereof.

2. A compound of claim 1, wherein

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R¹ is lower alkanoyl substituted with unsaturated 6-membered heteromonocyclic group containing at least one nitrogen atom which may/have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of lower alkoxy, higher alkoxy, /lower alkyl, higher alkyl, higher alkoxy(lower)alkyl, phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy, naphthyl having lower alkoxy, naphthyl having higher alkowy, phenyl having lower alkyl, phenyl having higher alkyl, naphthoyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl substituted with phenyl having lower a/kyl, 3 to 8-membered saturated heteromonocyclic group /containing /at least one nitrogen atom which may have phenyl having higher alkox/v, phenyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkoxy, 3 to 8/membered/saturated heteromonocyclic group containing at least one nitrogen atom which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy(higher)alk ϕ xy, β to 8-membered saturated heteromonocyclic group containing at least one nitrogen atom which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy and oxo

lower alkanovl substituted with 1,2,3,4tetrahydroisoguinaline having higher alkoxy and lower alkoxy carbonyl;

lower alkanoyl substituted with unsaturated condensed heterocyclic group containing at least one oxygen atom which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of lower alkoxy, higher alkoxy, lower alkyl, higher alkyl, higher alkoxy(lower)alkyl, phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy,

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naphthyl having lower alkoxy, naphthyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkyl, phenyl having higher alkyl, naphthoyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkyl, unsaturated 6-membered heteromonocyclic group containing at least one nitrogen atom which may have higher alkoxy, and oxo;

lower alkanoyl substituted with unsaturated condensed heterocyclic group containing 1 to 3 sulfur atom(s) which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of lower alkoxy, higher alkoxy, lower alkyl, higher alkoxy, higher alkoxy (lower) alkyl, phenyl having lower alkoxy phenyl having higher alkoxy, naphthyl having lower alkoxy, naphthyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkyl, phenyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkyl, phenyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkyl, and oxo;

lower alkandyl substituted with unsaturated condensed heterocyclid group containing 2 or more nitrogen atoms which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group containing of lower alkoxy, higher alkoxy, lower alkyl, higher alkoxy, lower alkyl, higher alkoxy, lower alkyl, phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy, naphthyl having lower alkoxy, naphthyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkyl, phenyl having higher alkyl, naphthoyl having higher alkyl, naphthoyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkyl, and oxo; or

lower alkanoyl substituted with saturated 3 to 8-membered heteromonocyclic group containing at least one nitrogen atom which may have 1 to 3

substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of lower alkoxy, higher alkoxy, lower alkyl, higher alkoxy(lower) alkyl, phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy, naphthyl having lower alkoxy, naphthyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkyl, phenyl having higher alkyl, naphthoyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkyl, and oxo.

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3. A compound of claim 1, wherein

R¹ is ar(lower) alkenoyl substituted with aryl which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of lower alkoxy, higher alkoxy,

lower akyl, higher alkyl, higher

alkoxy (lower) alkyl, phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy, naphthyl having lower alkoxy, naphthyl having higher alkoxy

alkoxy naphthyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkyl, phenyl having higher alkyl,

naphthoyl having higher alkoxy, thenyl substituted

with phenyl having lower alkyl, lower

alkoxy(lower)alkyl, halo(lower)alkoxy, lower

alkenyloxy, halo(higher)alkoxy, lowe

alkoxy(higher)alkoky and oxo;

naphthyl (lower) alkenoyl which may have 1 to 3

higher alkoxy;

lower alkynoyl which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of lower alkoxy, higher alkoxy, lower alkyl, higher alkoxy(lower)alkyl, phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy, naphthyl having lower alkoxy, naphthyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkyl, phenyl having higher alkyl, naphthoyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl substituted with phenyl having

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lower alkyl, and oxo;

ar(C_2 - C_6) alkanoyl substituted with aryl having 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of lower alkoxy, higher alkoxy, lower alkyl, higher alkyl, higher alkoxy(lower)alkyl, phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy, naphthyl having lower alkoxy, naphthyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkyl, phenyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkyl, naphthoyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkyl, phenyl having lower alkyl, phenyl having lower alkoxy(lower)alkoxy, and oxo, in which ar(C_2 - C_6)-alkanoyl may have hydroxy, oxo, protected amino or amino; or

(C2-C6) alkanoy substituted with haphthy having higher alkoxy.

4. A compound of claim 1, wherein

R1 \is aroyl\substituted with heteroeyclid group which may have 1 to/3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of lower alkoxy, higher alkoxy, lower alkyl, higher alkyl, higher alkoxy(lower)alkyl, phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy, naphthyl having lower alkoxy, naththyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkyl, phenyl having higher alkyl, naphthoyl having higher alkowy, phenyl substituted with phen / having lower alkyl, phenyl having lower alkbxx(higher) alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkenyloxy, heterocyclic group substituted with phenyl having lower alkoxy, heterocyclic group, cyclo(lower)alkyl having phenyl, phenyl having cyclo(lower)alkyl, phenyl substituted with heterocyclic group having lower alkyl and oxo, cyclo(|ower)alkyl having lower alkyl, phenyl

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substituted with phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having heterocyclic group and oxo, in which aroyl may have halogen;

aroyl substituted with aryl having heterocyclic(higher)alkoxy, in which heterocyclic group may have lower alkyl;

aroyl substituted with aryl/having lower
alkoxy(higher)alkoxy;

aroyl substituted with aryl having lower
alkenyl(lower)alkoxy;

aroyl substituted with 2 lower alkoxy; aroyl substituted with aryl having lower alkyl; or

aroyl substituted with aryl having higher alkyl.

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5. A compound of claim \1, wherein

R1 is aryloxy(lower) alkanov1 which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of lower alkoxy, higher alkoxy, lower alky1, higher alky1, higher alkoxy (lower) alky1, pheny1 having lower alkoxy, pheny1 having higher alkoxy, naphthy1 having lower alkoxy, naphthy1 having higher alkoxy, pheny1 having lower alky1, pheny1 having higher alky1 naphthoy1 having higher alkoxy, pheny1 substituted with pheny1 having lower alky1, and oxo:

ar(lower) alkoxy(lower) alkanoyl which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of lower alkoxy, higher alkoxy, lower alkyl, higher alkyl, higher alkoxy(lower) alkyl, phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy, naphthyl having lower alkoxy, naphthyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkyl, phenyl having higher alkyl, naphthoyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl substituted with phenyl

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having lower alkyl, and oxo; or
arylamino(lower) alkanoyl which may have 1 to 3
substituent(s) selected from the group consisting
of lower alkoxy, higher alkoxy, lower alkyl,
higher alkyl, higher alkoxy(lower) alkyl, phenyl
having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy,
naphthyl having lower alkoxy naphthyl having
higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkyl, phenyl
having higher alkyl, naphthoyl having higher
alkoxy, phenyl substituted with phenyl having
lower alkyl, and oxo.

6. A compound of claim 1, wherein

R1 is lower alkanoyl substituted with pyrazolyl which
has lower alkyl and aryl having higher alkoxy;
lower alkoxy(higher alkanoyl, in which higher
alkanoyl may have amino or protected amino;
aroyl substituted with aryl having
heterocyclicoxy, in which heterocyclicoxy may have
phenyl;
aroyl substituted with cyclo(lower)alkyl having
lower alkyl;

indolylcarbonyl having higher alkyl; naphthoyl having lower alkyl; naphthoyl having higher alkyl;

naphthoyl having lower alkoxy(higher)alkoxy; aroyl substituted with aryl having lower

alkoxy(lower)alkoxy(higher)alkoxy;

aroyl substituted with aryl having lower
alkoxy(lower) alkoxy;

aroyl substituted with aryl which has phenyl having lower alkoxy;

aroyl substituted with aryl which has phenyl having lower alkoxy(lower)alkoxy; aroyl substituted with aryl having

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heterocyclicoxy(higher)alkoxy aroyl substituted with aryl having phenoxy(lower)alkoxy; aroyl substituted with aryl having 5 heterocycliccarbonyl(higher)alkoxy; lower alkanoyl substictuted with oxazolyl which has aryl having higher alkoxy; lower alkanoyl substituted with furyl which has aryl sybstituted with phenyl having lower alkoxy; 10 lower alkanoyl substituted with triazoly which has pxo and phenyl having higher alkyl; higher akanoyl Having hydroxy; Higher alkanoyl having benzyl and hydroxy; β-methyl-t\ridec≠noyl; or 15 (C2-C6) alkanoy / substituted with arx1 having higher alkoxy in which (C_2-C_6) alkahoyl may have amino or protected amino. 7. A compound of claim/2, wherein R1 is lower alkanov1\substituted with pyriqy1 or 20 pyridazinyl, each of which may have 1/to 3 substituent(ϕ) selected from the group consisting of higher alkoxy, higher alkoxy(lower)alkyl, phenyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl substituted 25 with phenyl/having lower alkoxy, piperazinyl substituted with phenyl paving higher alkoxy, piperaziny substituted with phenyl having lower alkoxy(higher)alkoxy, and piperazinyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkoxy; 30 lower a \ddagger kanoyl substituted with 1,2,3,4tetrahydr bisoquinoline having higher alkoxy and lower alkoxy carbonyl; lower Alkanoyl substituted with coumarin which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the 35 group consisting of higher alkoxy, and oxo;

lower alkanoyl substituted with ben tothiophenyl

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which may have 1 to 3 higher alkoxy; lower alkanoyl substituted with benzo[b] furanyl which may have 1 to 3 substituent (s) selected from 5 the group consisting of higher alkoxy and lower alkvl; lower alkanoyl substituted with benzooxazolyl which may have 1 to 2 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of higher alkyl \rangle phenyl 10 having lower alkoxy, phenyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkyl, and pyridy having higher alkoxy; lower alkanoyl substituted with benzimidazolyl which may have to 3 substituent(s) selected from 15 the group consisting of higher alkyl, and phenyl having lower alkoxy; or/ lower alkanoyl substituted with piperidyl or piper zinyl, each of which may have 1/2 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting 20 of phenyl having higher alkoxy and naphthoyl having higher alkoxy. 8. A compound of claim 3, wherein R1 is phenyl(lower)alkenoyl substituted with phenyl which may have N_{to} 3 substituent(s) selected from 25 the group consisting of lower/alkoxy, lower alkyl, higher alkyl, lower alkoxy(lower)alkyl, nalo(lower)alkoxy, lower alkenyloxy, halo(higher)alk ϕ xy, and lower

lower alkynoyl which may have 1 to 3
substituent(s) selected from the group consisting
of naphthyl having higher alkoxy, and phenyl

naphthyl(lower)alkenoyl which may have 1 to 3

alkoxy(higher)a/lkoxy;

higher alkoxy:

substituted with phenyl having lower alkyl; phenyl (C₂-C₆) alkanoyl substituted with phenyl which has 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of lower alkoxy, higher alkoxy, lower alkyl, higher alkyl, and phenyl having lower alkoxy(lower) alkyl,

in which phenyl(C_2 - C_6) alkanovl may have hydroxy, oxo, protected amino or amino; or

 (C_2-C_6) alkanoyl substituted with naphthyl having higher alkoxy.

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with saturated 6-membered heteromonocyclic group containing at least one nitrogen atom which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy(higher) alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkenyloxy, piperidyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkoxy piperidyl, cyclo(lower) alkyl having phenyl, phenyl having cyclo(lower) alkyl, and phenyl substituted with triazolyl having oxo and lower alkyl,

in which benzoyl may have halogen;

benzoyl substituted with unsaturated 5-membered heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 2 oxygen atom(s) and 1 to 3 nitrogen atom(s) which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of higher alkyl, phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkoxy (higher) alkoxy, and phenyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with 5 or 6-membered heteromonoccyclic group containing 1 or 2 nitrogen

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atom(s) which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of higher alkyl and phenyl having lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with 5-membered heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 2 nitrogen atom(s) and 1 to 2 sulfur atom(s) which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy cyclo(lower alkyl having lower alkyl, phenyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having cyclo(lower)alkyl, phenyl having piperidine, and phenyl having lower alkoxy(higher)alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with phenyl having higher alkoxy substituted with unsaturated 3 to 8-membered heteromonocyclic group containing at least one nitrogen atom;

benzoyl substituted with phenyl having higher alkoxy substituted with saturated 6-membered heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 2 oxygen atom(s) and 1 to 3 nitrogen atom(s) which may have lower alkyl;

benzoyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkoxy(higher)alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkenyl (lower) alkowy;

benzoyl substituted with 2 lower alkoxy; benzoyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkyl; or

benzoyl substituted with phenyl having higher alkyl.

10. A compound of claim \$\frac{4}{3}\$, wherein

R\$^1\$ is phenyloxy(lower)alkanoyl which may have 1 to 3

higher alkoxy;

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phenyl(lower)alkoxy(lower)alkanoyl which may
have 1 to 3 higher alkoxy; or
 phenylamino(lower)alkanoyl which may have 1 to 3
higher alkoxy.

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11. A compound of claim 1, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with piperazinyl which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkyl, phenyl having lower alkoxy(higher) alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkenyloxy, piperidyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkoxy, cyclo(lower) alkyl having phenyl, phenyl having cyclo(lower) alkyl, and phenyl substituted with triazolyl having oxo and lower alkyl,

in which penzoyl may have halogen;

benzoyl substituted with isoxazoívl which may have 1 to 3 substituents) selected from the group consisting of higher alkyl, phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkoxy (higher) alkoxy, and phenyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substitutes with phenyl having lower alkoxy(higher)alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkyl;

benzoyl substituted with phenyl having higher alkyl;

phenyl(lower) a kenoyl substituted with phenyl which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of lower alkoxy, lower alkyl, higher alkyl, lower alkoxy(lower) alkyl, halo(lower) alkoxy, lower alkenyloxy, halo(higher) alkoxy and lower alkoxy(higher) alkoxy;

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benzoyl substituted with thiadiazoly/ which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy, cyclo(lower) alkyl having lower alkyl, phenyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having cyclo lower alkyl, phenyl having piperidyl, and phenyl having lower alkoxy(higher) alkoxy; or

benzoyl substituted with oxad azolyl which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of phenyl having lower alkoxy, phenyl having higher alkoxy, phenyl having lower alkoxy(higher) alkoxy, higher alkyl and phenyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkoxy.

12. A compound of claim 11, wherein

R¹ is benzoyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkoxy(higher)alkoxy; or benzoyl substituted with phenyl having lower alkyl.

13. A compound of claim 11, wherein

R1 is benzoyl substituted with piperazinyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with isoxazolyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy;

benzoyl substituted with thiadiazolyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy(higher)alkoxy; or benzoyl substituted with oxadiazolyl which may have phenyl having lower alkoxy.

14. A compound of claim 11, wherein R¹ is phenyl(lower) alkenoyl substituted with phenyl which may have lower alkoxy.

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C H_{2} N H_{2} N H_{2} N H_{3} C H_{4} N H_{5} N H

wherein

R¹ is lower alkanoyl substituted with unsaturated 6-membered heteromonocyclic group containing at least one nitrogen atom which may have one or more suitable substituent(s)

lower alkanoyl substituted with 1,2,34tetrahydro-isoquinoline having higher alkoxy;
lower alkanoyl substituted with unsaturated
condensed heterocyclic group containing at least
one oxygen atom which may have one or more
suitable substituent(s);

lower alkanoyl substituted with unsaturated condensed heterocyclic group containing 1 to 3 sulfur atom(s) which may have one or more suitable substituent(s);

lower alkanoyl substituted with unsaturated condensed heterocyclic group containing 2 or more nitrogen atom(s) which may have one or more suitable substituent(s);

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lower alkanoyl substituted with saturated 3 to 8-membered heteromonocyclic group containing at least one nitrogen atom which may have one or more suitable substituent(s); ar(lower)alkenoyl substituted with aryl which may have one or more suitable substituent(s); naphthyl(lower)alkeneyl which may have one or more higher alkoxy lower alkynow which may have one or more suitable substituent(s); /Co-Calkanoy\ substituted with naphthyl having higher alkoxy; ar(C2-C6) alkanoyl substituted with aryl having one or mare suitable substituent(s), in which ar(C2-C6) alkanoyl may have one or more suitable substituent(s); aroyl substituted with heterocyclic group which may have one or more suitable substituent(s), in which aroul may have one or more suitable substituent(s); aroyl substituted with aryl having heterocyclic(higher)alkoxy, in which heterocyclic group may have Vone or more suitable substituent(s)/ aroyl substituted with aryl having lower alkoxy(higher)alkoxy; aroyl substituted with aryl having lower alkenyl(lowek)alkoxy; aroyl substituted with 2 lower alkoxy; aroyl substituted with aryl having lower alkyl; aroyl substituted with aryl having higher alkyl; aryloxy(lower)alkanoyl which may have one or more su/itable substituent(s); $ar(1\phi wer)alkoxy(lower)alkanoyl which may have$

one of more suitable substituent(s);

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arylamino(lower)alkanoyl which may have one or

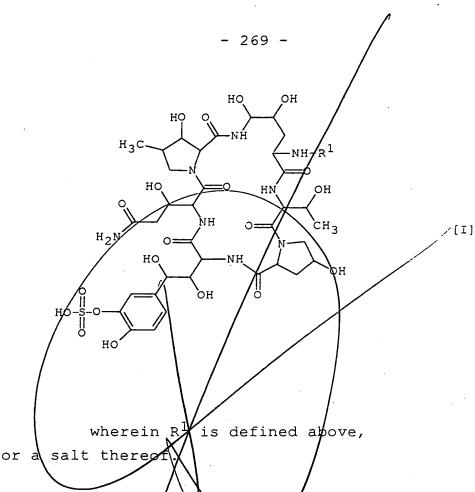
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$$R^1$$
 - OH [III]

wherein R^1 is defined above, or its reactive derivative at the carboxy group or a salt thereof, to give a compound [I] of the formula :

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16. A pharmaceutical composition which comprises, as an active ingredient, a compound of claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof in admixture with pharmaceutically acceptable carriers or excipients.

17. Use of a compound of claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof as a medicament.

15 A compound of claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof for use as a medicament.

19. A method for the prophylactic and/or the therapeutic treatment of infectious diseases caused by pathogenic microorganisms which comprises administering a compound of claim 1 or a pharmaceutrically acceptable salt thereof to a human being or an animal.